

# Repeat Revolution

## Week Five: Borders

**Cutting:** From that **Border Panel** set aside the first week, cut 4 borders from the LENGTH. Each outer border will be 1/4 the width of that panel.

**From Star Accent/Inner Border:** Cut 7 ea. 2" Width of Fabric (WoF) strips. Stitch three together with a diagonal seam (Like binding) Cut resulting strip in half (So you have two strips, each one and one half widths in length. These are the top and bottom inner border strips. In a similar manner, stitch two sets of two WoF strips with a diagonal seam. These are the side borders.

Follow instructions below to add the borders, first the Inner then the Outer, to your quilt.

**The First Step** when adding borders to a quilt is to be sure your quilt center is square. To do this, fold the quilt center in half, bringing the top and bottom edges together, measuring them against each other. If there is a discrepancy, check your piecing for errors in seam size, tucks, pleats and similar mistakes. When the measurements align, fold quilt center the other way, bringing the sides together and repeat the process to ensure the left and right sides align in length. Now you are ready to add borders.

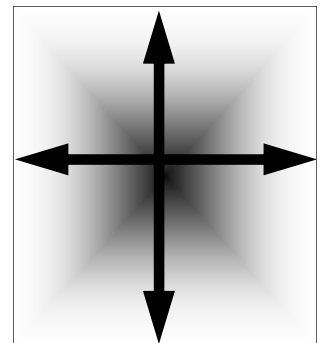
**Adding Borders:** To determine the actual **width** of your borders, measure the quilt center width through its center, not at the outer edges. Those outer edges have more "give" and will not give an accurate measure. Measuring through the center will keep your quilt square. Cut both your vertical strips to be the center horizontal dimension. That is make the border fit your quilt... and be sure both border pieces are the same length!

To apply the border, find the center of the quilt edge and the center of your border strip by folding once. Then find the quarter points of each (folding again). With right sides together, match the center of the border with the center of the quilt center, along with matching the quarters. Align raw edges. Pin at centers, quarters and at the ends then ease a bit if necessary. Stitch 1/4" seam. Press toward the border. Repeat for other side.

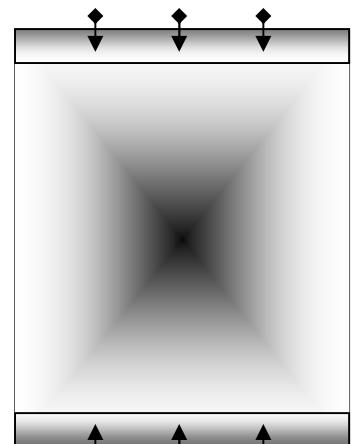
After pressing horizontal (top and bottom) set of borders, repeat above steps for the vertical (side) borders.

Use these techniques for your  
Repeat Revolution quilt (and all your quilts!)  
For a flat, square quilt every time!

**Next Week: Quilting**



Measure through the Center, both horizontally and vertically for borders



Pin to match halfway and quarterway points of border and quilt center